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THRU ; The Project Review Committee
Deputy Director, Intelligence
Assistant Director for Scientific Intelligence

Proposed Extension of Project OSI-18-52 to Include
Supporting Research for Veterinary Medical Intelligence

1. PROBLEM

To extend Project OSI-18-52 with the Department of Agriculture, "Supporting Research for Intelligence on Biological Warfare," to provide, within the same program, supporting research for veterinary medical intelligence.

2. DISCUSSION

a. Project OSI-18-52 was instituted in 1950 to exploit for biological intelligence purposes Soviet, Soviet satellite, and Germany open literature available in the USDA library. This project has made available to the Biology Division a substantial quantity of reference material on Soviet orbit and German plant science that has been translated, analyzed, abstracted, and cataloged. An extension of the basic project to include veterinary medical subjects in the work is proposed. The reference material that would result from this extension is essential to the completion of the Medicine Division's intelligence mission.

b. To process the open literature for veterinary medical purposes as well as biology purposes will necessitate an enlargement of the library staff. The increase in staff and covering budget allotment is as follows:

	Bal FY 52	FY 53	FY 54
2 Librarians @ \$5300 per year each	\$5,300	\$10,600	\$10,600
1 Translator @ \$4400 per year	2,200	4,400	4,400
Office Supplies and Equipment	500	1,500	1,500
	<u>8,000</u>	<u>16,500</u>	<u>16,500</u>

Funds for the balance of FY 52 are not available under the present FY 52 allotments and provision has not been made for this project extension in the FY 53 budget estimates. After the completion of approximately two and one-half years work on this continuing project the cost of the project will be reduced as the survey of literature of past years is completed and attention devoted to current literature only.

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c. Dr. Ralph Shaw, librarian in charge of the USDA library, will cooperate in obtaining the necessary personnel for the staff increase. This personnel will not be assigned to CIA but will be on the USDA Library Table of Organization with funds provided by this project.

d. The classification of this extension will be the same as the basic project, unclassified.

3. ACTION RECOMMENDED

a. That the extension of Project OSI-18-52 as outlined above, be approved.

b. That the budget allotment be approved as detailed above.

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CONCURRENCE /s/ Loftus Becker

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ACTION BY APPROVING AUTHORITY:

Date _____

Approved (disapproved), exceptions, if any.

Signature _____

Secretly